4th International Clinical Trials Methodology Conference (ICTMC) and
the 38th Annual Meeting of the Society for Clinical Trials (SCT)
Sunday 7th May – Wednesday 10th May 2017
Arena and Convention Centre (ACC), Liverpool

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Conference: Sunday 7th to Wednesday 10th May

Conference Venue

ACC Liverpool
Kings Dock
Liverpool Waterfront
Liverpool
Merseyside
L3 4FP

Conference Programme

The programme for this joint conference is a mix of plenary & contributed talks as well as poster presentations which all demonstrate the breather of expertise and insight in trials methodology today.

For the most up to date detailed programme click here or visit the conference website – www.ictmc2017.com.

The conference programme has been CPD accredited and approved by the Federation of the Royal Colleges of Physicians of the United Kingdom for 24 category 1 (external) CPD credit(s).

Conference Mobile App

The Conference will be having a mobile app, this will have the full programme, exhibitor details, keynote speaker profiles, abstracts and many more exciting features.

Details will be sent out in due course with how to download the conference app, if you have any questions on the App please contact sct@fernley.com.

Conference Dinner – Tuesday 9th May 2017

Make sure not to miss out on the Conference Dinner which will be held at the ACC, Liverpool, on Tuesday 9th May 2017 from 19:30hrs to Midnight and is a great opportunity to network with colleagues, to meet up with old friends and make new ones while dancing the night away to Beatles Tribute Band …The BackBeat Beatles.

Delegates who have pre-booked a ticket for the dinner during the registration process will find their ticket in their registration pack and this should be brought along on the night otherwise access will be denied.

If you have not pre-booked a ticket please contact us on ictmc@in-conference.org.uk to reserve your ticket before Monday 24th April 2017, the conference dinner carries a fee of £50.00.
For travel directions, please visit http://www.accliverpool.com/visiting-us/travelling-here/

By Car
For all car journeys it’s best to follow the white on brown tourist route signs for the Albert Dock. These signs are visible on all major routes into the city. The Conference Centre is directly adjacent to the south side of the Albert Dock.

Driving from the South - Approaching from the south, leave the M6 at junction 21A and take the M62 to Liverpool. At the end of the M62 follow signs for Liverpool City Centre along Edge Lane, picking up and following signs for The Waterfront. The Liverpool Waterfront Car Park is signposted ‘Waterfront’ on the city wide ‘available spaces’ signage. Further car parking is shown on the downloadable map.

Driving from the North - Approaching from the north, leave the M6 at junction 26 and follow signs for M58 Liverpool. Follow to the end of the M58 and then take signs for A59 Liverpool. Continue to follow Liverpool City Centre until picking up signs for the Waterfront. The Liverpool Waterfront Car Park is signposted ‘Waterfront’ on the city-wide ‘available spaces’ signage. Alternative car parking is shown on the downloadable map.

By Rail
ACC Liverpool is a short taxi or bus ride away from Liverpool Lime Street station and its direct services to London that take little over two hours. For further information please contact National Rail Enquiries on 08453 538 5217 or click here to visit their website.

PLEASE NOTE:
It is possible that there may be some rail strikes that will affect your travel to the conference, please ensure you check the following links to ensure your route is not effected:
- National Rail: http://www.nationalrail.co.uk/service_disruptions/indicator.aspx

By Bus
Most Liverpool City Centre bound buses will call at either Queen Square bus station or Liverpool ONE Bus Station. ACC Liverpool is just a fifteen minutes’ walk from Queen Square bus station and only five minutes’ walk from the Liverpool ONE retail development bus station, which also has long distance coach services. Local services connect to a shuttle bus service. For up-to-date information on all bus and train services within Merseyside visit www.merseytravel.gov.uk.

By Air
Liverpool John Lennon Airport is a 20 minute taxi journey from the airport to the city centre or the express bus service Route 500 will take approximately 25 minutes, dropping you off within a five-minute walk of ACC Liverpool, for further information click here.

Alternatively, just 45 minutes’ away via the motorway network, Manchester Airport has an even more extensive network of flights, with long haul destinations including America and the Far East served with direct flights, for further information click here.

Car Parking
Liverpool Waterfront Car Park is the closest to the ACC Liverpool and is well signposted with 1,600 multi-storey spaces. Follow the “Waterfront” signs on the city-wide “available parking spaces” signage. These offer live updates as to the number of available spaces. Parking charges are as follows:

- £2 for up to 1 hour
- £5 for up to 2 hours
- £7 for up to 5 hours
- £10 for up to 9 hours
- £15 for up to 24 hours

Address: Liverpool Waterfront Car Park, Monarchs Quay, Kings Dock, Liverpool L3 4FP. For more parking options and prices please click here.
On arrival, please make your way to the Registration desk which will be located on the Galleria at the Cityside Entrance.

Registration will be open at the following times:
- Sunday 7th May: 08.00 – 18.00
- Monday 8th May: 07.30 – 18.00
- Tuesday 9th May: 07.30 – 18.00
- Wednesday 10th May: 08.30 – 14.00

SCT will have an information booth on the lower level by the exhibition hall.

Cloakroom

There will be a cloakroom available within the venue located on the Galleria level and the cost is £1 per item.

Conference Materials

Included within your delegate fee you will receive your conference badge (which you should wear at all times), delegate folder which will include the final programme, sponsor information, tickets for the Pre-Conference Workshops sessions of your selection (if you have pre-registered for these) and a ticket for the Conference Dinner if this has been pre-booked.

Exhibition

In order to keep registration fees to a minimum, it is important that we have the support of organisations at the conference. Please make time to visit the stands and meet the company representatives.

The exhibition will be located in the Hall 2A and will open at the following times:
- Monday 8th May: 08.00 – 17.00
- Tuesday 9th May: 08.00 – 16.00
- Wednesday 10th May: 08.00 – 12.00

Posters

Posters should be set-up by 09:00 on Monday 8th May and will be displayed throughout the conference. Posters should be removed no earlier than 12noon on Wednesday 10th May. All posters will be displayed in Hall 2A throughout the entire conference.

Authors are reminded that the dimensions of the board are 1m wide by 2m high (portrait style). It is recommended that displays do not exceed 1.5m in height. Please note that a supply of Velcro tabs will be available at the venue. No screws or double-sided adhesive tape will be allowed as they damage the boards. Please note that there are no printing services available onsite. If you require this service we can recommend a company, please contact ictmc@in-conference.org.uk for more information.

There are four dedicated poster sessions when authors are required to be by their boards to discuss their posters:
- Monday 8th May: 10.00 – 10.45 (Poster Numbers 1 – 124) 15.40 – 16.25 (Poster Numbers 125 – 248)
- Tuesday 9th May: 10.00 – 10.45 (Poster Numbers 249 – 372) 14.30 – 15.15 (Poster Numbers 373 – 495)

Please use the above time to have a look and discuss with the authors their posters.

Speaker Preview

All speakers are requested to provide a copy of their presentation (on USB) to the technicians in the Speaker Preview Room at least four hours prior to their talk (where possible). It is not necessary to bring your own PC.

NB Please ensure that your presentation is in a ratio of 4:3 as this is what is required for the size of screen in use at the venue. If your presentation is not in PowerPoint please give more time to visit the Speaker Preview room to avoid any issues during your presentation. Also if there are movie clips included in your presentation you must bring the original movie/media files separately to your presentation. Please do not embed your files within your presentation.
The Speaker Preview room is located in Room 10 on the Upper Level of the ACC and will be open during the following times:

- **Sunday 7th May:** 14:00 – 18:00
- **Monday 8th May:** 07:30 - 17:30
- **Tuesday 9th May:** 07:30 - 17:30
- **Wednesday 10th May:** 07:30 - 11:30

If you have any questions or are unable to locate the speaker preview room please contact the Registration Desk and a member of the team will be able to assist.

## Conference Workshops

There are five workshops taking place during the conference. Places are limited and it is a first come first served basis for these workshops, pre-booking is essential. Once the workshops are full we will be running a waiting list and you should check with registration if you have been given a place on the workshop.

Please find below details of the workshops that are available during the conference.

**Workshop 1** - Monday 8th May 10:45 – 12:15  
**PRECIS-2: Precisely how can this tool help investigators design trials to achieve practical answers to “real world” questions?**  
*Kirsty Loudon, University of Stirling, UK*

**Workshop 2** - Monday 8th May 16:25 – 17:55  
Understanding, reporting and conducting pilot and feasibility trials  
*Sally Hopewell, University of Oxford, UK*

**Workshop 3** - Tuesday 9th May 08:30 – 10:00  
Data Monitoring Committees: Multi-stakeholder Recommendations and Hands-on Experience from CTTI and the MRCT Center  
*Annemarie Forrest, Associate Director of Projects, CTTI, USA*

**Workshop 4** - Tuesday 9th May 13:00 – 14:30  
Optimising setup and recruitment of multicentre complex randomised control trials  
*Rachel Hobson, The University of Warwick, UK*

**Workshop 5** - Wednesday 10th May 09:25 – 10:55  
Using REDCap for Data Capture in Clinical Trials: Database Management on a Budget  
*Jody D. Ciolino, Northwestern University, USA*

## Breakfast Symposium

There are two breakfast symposia on offer at this year’s conference and if you would like to attend please register your attendance, if you have any questions or require further information please contact ictmc@in-conference.org.uk.

Please find below details of the symposia that are available during the conference.

**MACRO Breakfast Symposium**  
**Title:** EDC System Hosting and Validation - Options and Impact  
**When:** Monday 8th May from 8am

*Presented by Will Crocombe, Director at RISG Consulting & Information Systems Director, Leeds Institute of Clinical Trials Research*

*The session will examine the options for hosting and validating an EDC system, and explore the relative merits of local and 3rd party services.*

**NIHR Trainee Coordinating Centre**  
**Title:** Advancing Your Career in Clinical Trials  
**When:** Tuesday 9th May from 07.15am

*Presented by Pete Thompson, Assistant Director, NIHR Trainees Coordinating Centre alongside a Clinical Trials Unit representative and a current NIHR Trainee.*

*This breakfast session is aimed at anyone interested in developing their research career in clinical trials - particularly those interested in applying for a NIHR personal training award.*
The session will provide information on the support available from the NIHR for aspiring clinical trialists - including advice and guidance on working with Clinical Trials Units (CTUs) and hints and tips for applying for relevant NIHR awards.

A light breakfast will be provided.

Certificates of Attendance and Survey

A Certificate of Attendance will be emailed to all participants on completion of the delegate evaluation survey which will be sent on the last day of the conference.

Tweeting

We welcome you to join the discussion at ICTMC 2017 on twitter in the lead up to, during and after the conference. Please use #ICTMC2017

Wi-Fi Access

The conference is providing Wi-Fi access free to delegates. Please see the registration desk for the login details.

We hope this information is useful and look forward to meeting you soon!

Kind regards,
Claire Simpson
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